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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE WILLIAM H. WEBSTER Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Award of the National Security Medal

The President has approved the award of the National Security Medal to Lt General William E. Odom, USA (Ret.). The approved citation to accompany the award is attached.

The NSC Staff point of contact is Barry Kelly, 395-3334. His office will contact the CIA Protocol Office in making arrangements for presentation of the award.

Attachment Citation

Colin L. Powell



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE

AWARD OF THE

NATIONAL SECURITY MEDAL

TO

LTG WILLIAM E. ODOM, USA

LTG William E. Odom has distinguished himself as an Intelligence Officer of the highest caliber, a skillful leader, and an expert of wide renown on the Soviet Union. As the Director, National Security Agency/Chief, Central Security Service, he has, through bold initiative, inspired imagination, and unparalled strength of leadership, set the USSS on a proper course to meet the formidable challenges of today and of the future. General Odom leaves a legacy to this Agency, the Intelligence Community, and this country that reflects the ultimate in dedication, commitment, and excellence.